## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 93-503-C - ORDER NO. 94-8 √

JANUARY 3, 1994

IN RE: Southern Bell - Investigation ) ORDER DENYING PETITION of Level of Earnings. ) TO INTERVENE OUT OF TIME

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Secretary of Defense's Petition to Intervene Out of Time on behalf of the Department of Defense and all other Federal Executive Agencies (DOD/FEA). The Secretary of Defense asserts that the Regulatory Law Office only recently became aware of the Commission's current earnings investigation of Southern Bell. 1

After full consideration of the matter, the Commission concludes that the explanation for the untimely intervention is insufficient and, therefore, denies the Secretary of Defense's Petition to Intervene Out of Time.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)

<sup>1.</sup> The return date was November 15, 1993.